

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 999 - HB 1218**

February 22, 2019

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires any occupational regulatory board under the Department of Commerce and Insurance (DCI) or the Department of Health (DOH) to reinstate an expired license to practice a profession for a person that meets certain requirements.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- The proposed regulation could require rulemaking changes for all regulatory boards under DCI and DOH to ensure reinstatement policies adhere to the proposed legislation; however, based on review of existing policies of such boards, reinstatement procedures are currently in place and any additional rulemaking can be accomplished within existing resources.
- The number of people with an expired license for a period less than ten years that would apply to reinstate their professional certification due to the proposed legislation by paying a renewal fee and adhering to any requirements for active licensure renewal is estimated to be minimal for each individual board.
- Any increase in licensure applications due to the proposed legislation can be administered within existing resources of the licensing entities. Any increase in revenue to such entities is estimated to be not significant.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all regulatory boards are required to be self-supporting over any two year period. The DCI Division of Regulatory Boards experienced a surplus of \$2,735,422 in FY16-17, a surplus of \$2,394,375 in FY17-18, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$27,499,691 on June 30, 2018.
- The DOH, Division of Regulatory Boards, experienced a surplus of \$3,609,723 in FY16-17, a surplus of \$3,621,024 in FY17-18, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$34,646,763 on June 30, 2018.

**IMPACT TO COMMERCE:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

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Assumptions:

- A review of the existing policies within the occupational regulatory boards of DCI and DOH indicates licensure reinstatement procedures are currently in place.
- The proposed legislation authorizes a person with a license expired for ten years or less to apply for reinstatement of such license after adhering to any requirements for active licensure renewal; however, any increase in reinstatements is estimated to be minimal.
- Any impact to commerce or jobs in Tennessee is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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